

25 March 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Clearance Division

FROM : [REDACTED]
Deputy Director of Security (PSI)

SUBJECT : Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
(Clearances on Charles G. Haynes, Richard F.
McEliece, Williston B. Cofer, Andrew J.
Shannon)

1. Mr. C. R. Anderson, Chief of the Surveys and Investigations Staff, House Appropriations Committee, by memorandum dated 24 March 1976 to the DCI requested that four staff members of the House Appropriations Committee be cleared in order for them to conduct an investigation [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It is my understanding that these individuals will be conducting an investigation within CIA for a period of approximately 30 days and they will be under the cognizance of Mr. John Iams, Comptroller.

2. The individuals are identified as follows:

Charles G. Haynes
24 February 1920
Kansas, Missouri

Richard F. McEliece
27 October 1916
West Pittston, Pennsylvania

Williston B. Cofer, Jr.
22 June 1936
Washington, D. C.

Andrew J. Shannon
11 February 1916
Washington, D. C.

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[redacted] has verified the following clearances on these individuals:

Charles G. Haynes Top Secret clearance with
OSD dated 2 July 1975 based
on BI by the Civil Service
Commission dated 2 March 1962.

Richard F. McEliece Top Secret clearance with
(FBI Agent on loan OSD dated 15 November 1972
to House) based on FBI BI.

Williston B. Cofer, Jr. Top Secret clearance with OSD
dated 25 April 1975 based on
BI by Civil Service Commission
dated 26 March 1965. Also
limited BI by GSA dated
11 February 1975.

Andrew J. Shannon Top Secret clearance with OSD
dated 8 October 1975 based on
BI by DISCO dated 2 May 1974.

Based on the information available, I granted Top Secret clearances this date and also advised [redacted] Executive Officer/DDA, that they could be briefed SI, TK and BYE.

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3. Please establish individual files on these individuals and on a backstop basis review the files with the Security Division, DoD. Special Security Center is being asked to coordinate the necessary paperwork for the granting of SI, TK and BYE and to arrange for an expedite briefing through Mr. John Iams.

4. According to the Director of Security, these individuals are requesting staff-like access for a period of 30 days. Accordingly PTOS should arrange for the issuance of VNE Badges.

5. If any problems come up during the processing of the above actions, please contact the undersigned.

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